

Nuckolls County Board Minutes



SEPTEMBER 16, 2013 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, September 16, 2013 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of September 9, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the Agenda as submitted and the September 9, 2013 minutes with correction. Chuck Mittan, News reporter for the Superior Express is present for the meeting.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Road Department Executive Secretary met with the Board to update them on the current activities of the County Road Department. Warren noted he has the guys out in the motorgraders, blading the county roads where they can. Roads are still wet. Warren announced that Project C-65 (536), between Sections 24 & 25, T2N-R6W Nora Precinct has the east tubes done and the west tubes being laid today. They will be moving to Project C-65 (676), between Section 11 & 14, T1N-R8W, Bostwick NW, Bostwick Precinct next. Warren has the guys out mowing along bridges and guardrails this week. Warren noted they have been spraying trees in the county road ditches in the South half of the County. Corman noted there are dead trees that are plugging tubes in the county right of way in his area. Discussion was held regarding the condition of county roads along bus routes for the school buses.

Warren received an estimate from Mainelli Wagner for a box culvert structure on structure #C006521525 Nelson NW, Project C-65 (642), located on Road 3200, between 1600 and 1640 to get an idea of the costs. The bid letting will be held October 7, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Courthouse. Mainelli Wagner is not eligible to submit bids for this project. Their quote is to give the County an idea of the cost for the bid letting.

Warren discussed the issue of the Ruskin Shop. Warren attended the Ruskin Village Board meeting last Monday and they offered the County to trade for two empty lots for our old shop. Currently there are two buildings in Ruskin that the Village will be tearing down. The County is looking to build a new county shop and needs a couple of lots to build on. The old shop is in need of repairs and the Board determined it would be better to just build a new building that will house the motorgrader and other equipment better. The Board discussed with County Attorney, Tim Schmidt to determine what would be the steps needed to get this project under way.

Clerk Kassebaum gave the Board some correspondence regarding the County Jail for passing its compliance for minimum Jail standards. Kassebaum informed the Board that Thayer County had paid the submitted claim for the work Jean Stichka did in Thayer County to help with the Thayer County Fair. Kassebaum reminded the Board that the Nelson Law Enforcement contract will expire at the end of the year.

A motion was made by Brown to authorize Chairman Combs to sign the Certificate of Cost Allocation Plan between Nuckolls County and Sequoia Consulting Firm for the Indirect Cost regarding Nebraska Child Support Enforcement and Corman seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Carrie Miller, Secretary for the Nuckolls County Safety Committee met with the Board to give them an update on the Safety Committee's current activities and to submit the July 18, 2013 minutes as approved. Miller noted there will be a presentation/demonstration on how to inspect fire extinguishers at their next meeting. A motion was made by Corman to accept the Safety Committee's July 18, 2013 minutes as submitted and Combs seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.



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Alfred Hansen with the Nuckolls County Historical Society met with the Board to request the County to accept ownership of there new sign. The sign is a 4X8 size and by State rules it would have to be owned by the County to be legal to put up next to a highway. The Historical Society would be responsible for all upkeep and replacement if destroyed. The Historical Society would also like to have the Knights of Columbus's Right to Life sign attached to the same poles as the Historical Society's sign. The Board and County Attorney discussed an issue with the Knights of Columbus sign. It was determined to table this discussion until a later date. No decision was made.

A proposal was submitted by Hunt Insurance Group of Tallahassee Florida for the Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance effective October 1, 2013. Option 1 offer is for \$4,116.00 for a \$25,000.00 Specific Deductible per inmate per year. Option 2 offer is for \$3,855.00 for a \$30,000.00 Specific Deductible per inmate per year. A motion was made by Combs to choose Option 2 for the Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance Plan and Corman seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

The following salary claims were approved:

General Fund Salaries: \$65,579.25 Road Fund Salaries: \$41,431.42 Civil Defense Fund Salaries: \$2,330.00 911 Emergency Fund Salary: \$400.00

The following claim was not approved:

General Fund unused vacation time for Sheriff Employee \$5,839.20

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 11:00 a.m. until Monday, September 30, 2013.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk